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2. One KOLA-class escort vessel was observed anchored outside the New Harbor.

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3. The following Soviet naval vessels were observed in Pratique Harbor on
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2 RIGA-class escort vessels
5 ERONSHTADT-class submarine chasers
1 MTB (Ex US PT class)

4. The two escort vessels and the five submarine chasers left the harbor at
and sailed in a southerly direction.
They returned to Pratique Harbor as soon as these
vessels returned, the MTB sailed out of the harbor in an easterly direction.

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5. The following Soviet commercial ships were in harbor

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8 cargo ships, 2,500-8,000 tons
2 passenger ships, 5-10,000 tons
2 cargo ships under repair
3 tankers, 12,000 tons, which were unloading
2 tankers, 12,000 tons, which were on the
roadstead waiting to enter the port and unload.

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6. The new oil dock previously reported under construction was still unfinished
Construction was proceeding at a slow pace. The founda-

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tion and dock covering were complete, but pipeline installation was yet to be finished. Up to the date of observation oil tankers had not begun loading or unloading at this dock.

7. [redacted] the two 20-inch pipelines installed on Petroleum Mole⁺ have increased the loading capacity of Petroleum Harbor to five thousand tons per hour. [redacted] the Petroleum Harbor had vast reserves of petroleum in storage tanks and was capable of immediate and fast loading of tankers.

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8. There was construction under way to extend the main breakwater in a north-westerly direction. A 100-ton floating crane was observed at the construction site, where work was being done during the daylight hours only.

9. Following is a price list for some items available to foreign ships visiting Odessa and their crew members. The price list was furnished [redacted] by a ship's chandler; the prices were quoted in dollars,⁴ and were the same for purchases made for the ship, as for those made by the individual crew members. (The prices given are per kilo, except as noted.)

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Beef	\$.75
Mutton	.50
Fork	1.00
Fresh fish	.25 - .75
Dutch cheese	1.50
Bacon	1.50
Smoked ham	2.00
Salami and sausage	1.00 - 1.50
Sugar	.25
Flour	.12
Potatoes	.07
Sunflower oil	1.25
Rice	.35
Fresh milk	.20
White bread	.12
Vodka "Moscow"	2.07
Champagne "Sovetskaya"	2.00
Eggs, each	.05

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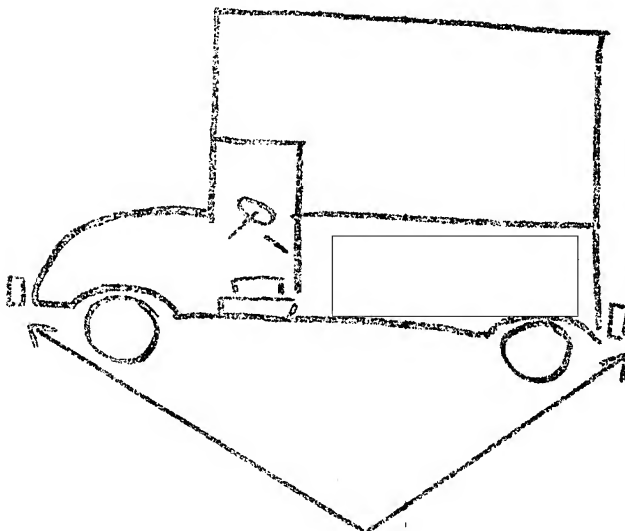
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Soviet Military Vehicles

1. Four Soviet military vehicles were observed in Odessa on 14 July, 1959 just outside the harbor limits. The vehicles, which were similar to the sketch below

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Personnel

3. Two of the vehicles were driven by civilians and carried three to four officers and about 20 soldiers. They appeared to be wearing the uniform usually worn by border guards and members of the port control teams.
4. The officers wore visored green caps with a red border around the top edge. The cap band had a gold braid and a red star with hammer and sickle. The uniform consisted of a khaki coat, blue trousers, and black shoes. Their epaulettes had a green stripe on a gold background with four stars (see sketch below).



5. The enlisted men wore the same type visored cap as the officers, but without the gold braid. Their uniforms consisted of a khaki coat with closed, high collar, blue trousers and black boots. Their epaulettes were solid green.

New Oil Dock

6. The installation of six-, seven- and eight-inch pipelines on the new oil dock in the Petroleum Harbor of Odessa was completed. Day and night dredging was observed in front of this dock.
7. Six different communications installations were observed along the coast south of Odessa at the approximate points shown on the overlay below. These installations appeared to be about one mile inland, and were observed through binoculars at a distance of about five miles. No personnel were observed at any of these installations. (see sketch of the outline of each installation on page 4.)

New Harbor

8. The new harbor² south of Odessa was observed through binoculars at a distance of about eight to ten miles. About fifteen cranes of 100-to 150-ton capacity (sic) were observed in the area. Three or four merchant ships and naval minelayers were observed at the entrance to the harbor.

Communications Installations

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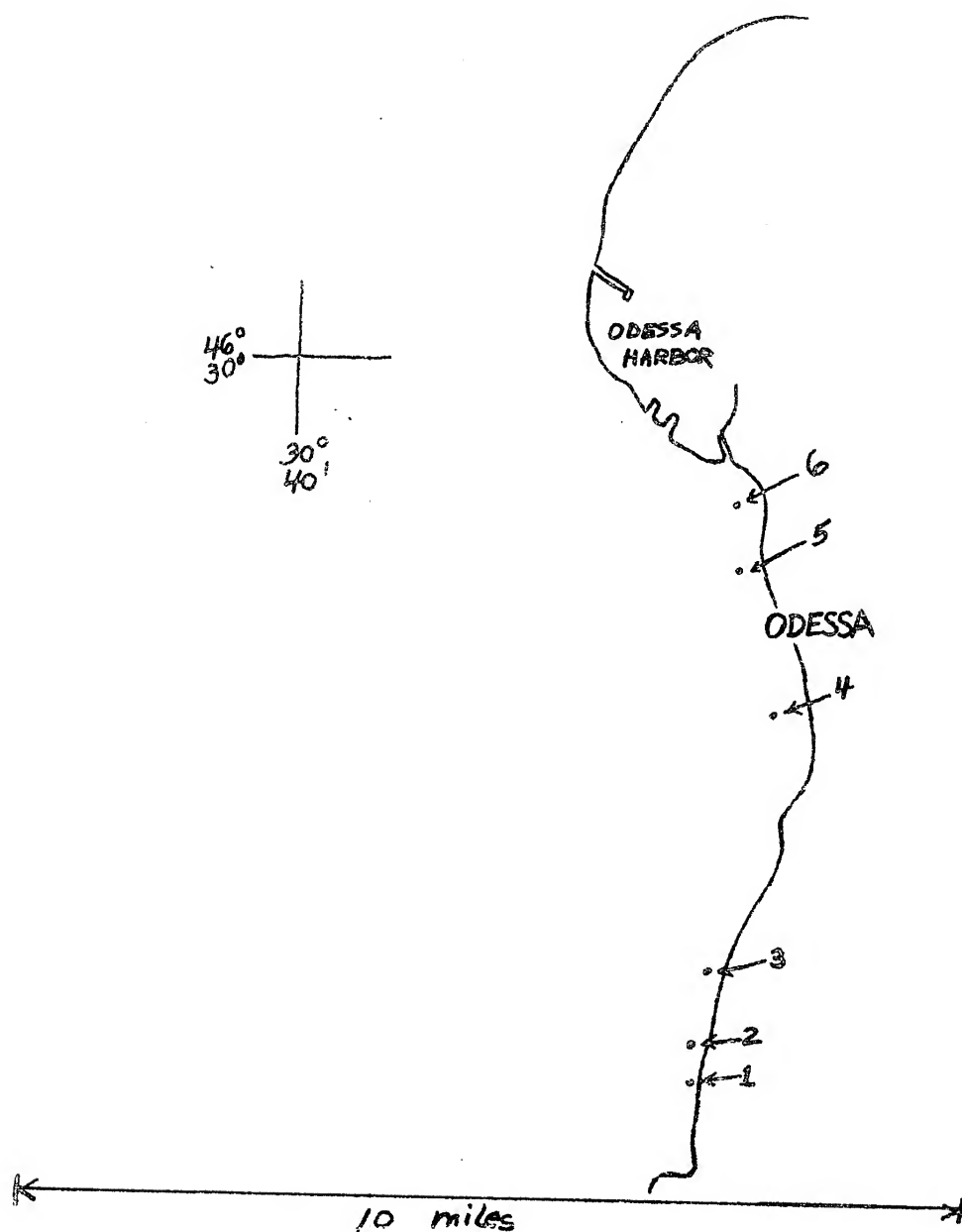
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ODESSA AREA MAP



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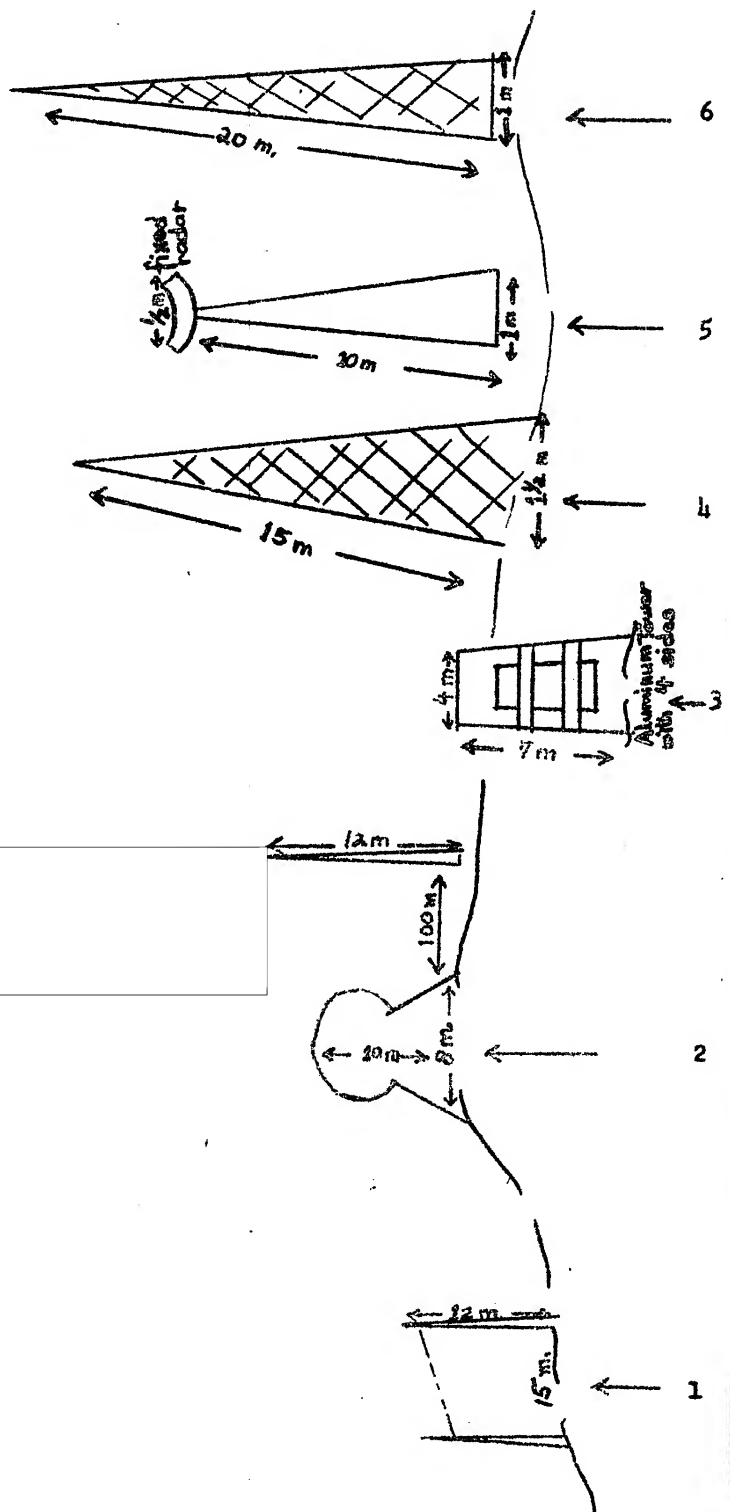
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Police men wore blue uniforms with silver buttons and red epaulets with the symbols of their rank, and blue caps with red ribbon. Policewomen wore blue skirts and jackets, blue berets, and a red cloth band around the right arm.

7. The Customs House was a clean building with a triangular roof and a stoa in the front. There was a bank on the ground floor, and the customs offices with a large customs inspection area. On the second floor there was a restaurant, and on the third floor an apartment which was kept locked. The Seamen's Club was also located in the same building. 50X1-HUM
8. From the back exit of the Customs House, and approximately 1 kilometer south, a wireless antenna could be seen on a little hill. Another antenna was located approximately one kilometer east of it. (See sketch on page 3)
9. There were two small shipyards in the port of Sochi. The workshops for these shipyards were located in four buildings approximately 7 meters wide by 10 meters long. (See sketch on page 3 for exact location.)
10. The South breakwater, which is built of cement blocks, is approximately 150 meters long, 50 meters wide and 6 meters high. The breakwater has an arched roof supported by round columns placed along the edges. The concrete platform has a projection of about three meters. The area provided by the projection has been divided into small compartments for food storage. 50X1-HUM
11. The port of Sochi did not appear to have any merchant traffic. There were four small fishing vessels anchored in port, and two floating cranes of approximately 50 and 70 tons hoisting capacity.
12. There was no abundance of food in the stores. However, drugs were plentiful, and available at low prices. A can of 56 grams of caviar cost 11 rubles; a can of crab meat cost 6 rubles; an eclair and a glass of coffee with milk cost $2\frac{1}{2}$ rubles; a wrist watch cost 360 rubles for the cheapest quality.
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16. Following is an annotated sketch of the port of Sochi.

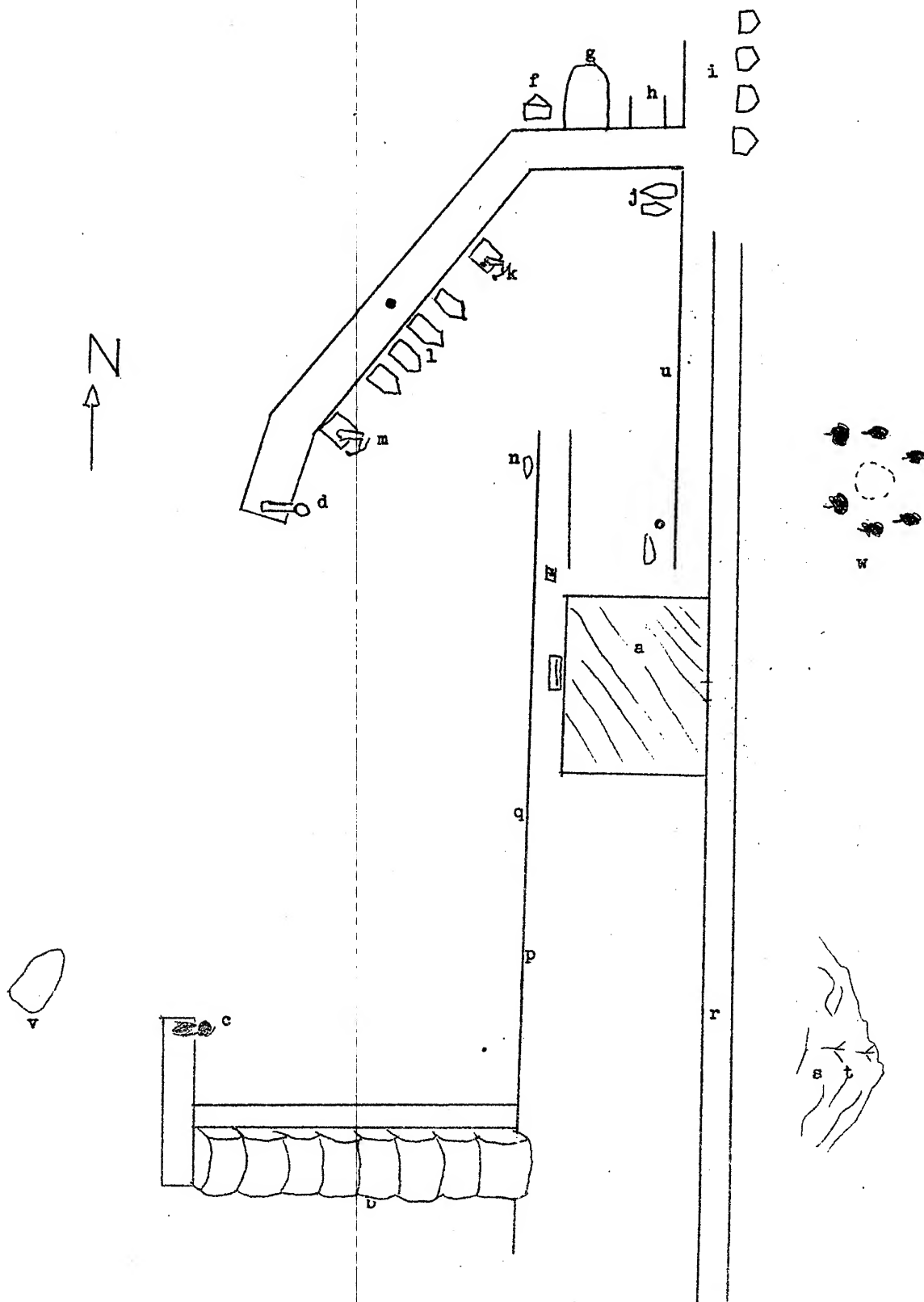
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Legend to the Sketch of the Port of Sochi

- a. Customs House.
- b. South breakwater.
- c. Red light.
- d. White light.
- e. Mole, about 200 meters long and 2 - 2½ meters high.
- f. Small warehouse.
- g. Small careening place, built of stone.
- h. Small shipyard built of iron.
- i. Workshops for g and h, above.
- j. MTBs with covered dark grey machine guns
- k. 7 m. long (sic), forward and aft.
- l. Floating crane with hoisting capacity of about 70 tons.
- m. Small fishing boats.
- n. Floating crane with hoisting capacity of about 50 tons.
- o. Mooring tender.
- p. Laid up motor boat.
- q. Customs platform.
- r. Quay, about 100 meters long.
- s, t. Coastal road
- u. Wireless antennas (s higher on the hill than t).
- v. Quay, about 70 meters long.
- w. Ship's position.
- x. Small park with a statue.

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